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Funding Approved for Local Nonprofit Organization

SAN BERNARDINO – On Tuesday, the Board of Supervisors approved a \$3,000 allocation to assist a local nonprofit that provides vocational training, recreational activities, and other forms of support to more than 600 adults with disabilities.

"OPARC has been a tremendous local resource for people with disabilities for more than 50 years, and this funding will allow the organization to further its mission here in San Bernardino County," said Board of Supervisors Chairman Paul Biane, who also serves as the County's Second District Supervisor.

Among other things, OPARC operates Adult Development Centers in Rancho Cucamonga, Ontario and Montclair. The organization trains adults with vocational and developmental disabilities to perform jobs such as assembly and packaging. Clients are assigned a job coach who oversees their work. OPARC aims to increase clients' self-respect and their ability to interact with others.

The \$3,000 allocation comes from the Board of Supervisors' priority policy needs budget.